



EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1600
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Confirmation No.: 6196

Fumio HASHIMOTO, *et al.*

Group Art Unit: 1638

Serial No. 10/557,607

Examiner: Keith O. Robinson

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For: METHOD FOR CROSSING FLOWERING PLANTS BASED ON THEIR
PIGMENT GENOTYPES

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

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March 24, 2009

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 4, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Amendments to the claims are submitted beginning on page 2.

Remarks are submitted beginning on page 8.